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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

Appropriates \$68,000 to Olmstead County for an employment supports program for persons with autism spectrum disorder.

#### Section

#### **1 Employment supports and independent living services.**

**Subd. 1. Definitions.** Provides definitions of terms used in the bill.

**Subd. 2. Purpose.** States that the purpose of employment supports for persons with high functioning autism, Asperger's syndrome, nonverbal learning disorders and pervasive development disorder, not otherwise specified, is to assist individuals attain, maintain and advance in employment in order to achieve self-sufficiency and financial independence.

**Subd. 3. Employment support plan and outcomes.** Specifies that an employment support plan must include employment goals, ongoing support services, program outcomes that focus on competitive employment, and independent living services.

**Subd. 4. Appropriation.** Appropriates \$68,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2014 to the commissioner of employment and economic development for a grant to Olmstead County for an employment supports and independent living services program. The appropriation is onetime and available until expended.

